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RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT UNDER 35 USC § 121

Applicant hereby elects the species II: Fig. 5 with claims 1-20 being readable thereon. Further, Applicant traverses the requirement of election of the species as recited in the Office Action as being improper.

Specifically, Figure 5 is a final implementation of the present invention as shown by the embodiments of Figures 2, and 6-8 and the controller of Fig. 9. Figure 2 is drawn to an embodiment with LED devices which can be strung as a pre-determined model, pattern, or a set of words (Figure 5). Similarly, Figure 6 is drawn to tungsten devices in parallel which can be strung as a pre-determined model, pattern, or a set of words. Figure 7 is drawn to LED devices which can be configured similarly. Figure 8 is drawn to varied color LED devices in parallel.

Applicant notes that although claims 8, 16, 17, and 24 are directed to a device wherein the string lamp can be strung as a pre-determined model, pattern or a set of words, the stringing can be achieved with any of the above devices.

While claims 1-7, 9-15, 18-23, and 25-31 are directed to the variants of the present invention, many of these claims are directed to more than one embodiment.

Thus, Applicant requests that the Examiner withdraw the restriction requirement. If the Examiner still holds the restriction proper, it is Applicant's position that claims 1-20 are all directed to the embodiment as shown in Figure 5.

Favorable consideration on the merits is requested.

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